SIGURD ANDERSON
GOVERNOR

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the American Library Association was founded in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on October 4, 1876, and marked the beginning of a new era in library development; and

WHEREAS, libraries and their services have become integral parts of the educational, cultural, social, and economic life of our nation and our state; and

WHEREAS, through its "Library Bill of Rights" the American Library Association has set forth policies which provide all citizens with access to information on the highest level of intellectual freedom; and

WHEREAS, throughout its 75th anniversary year, the American Library Association is conducting an educational program under community library leadership with the theme: "The Heritage of the U.S.A. in Times of Crisis"; and

WHEREAS, this 75th anniversary program is devoted to a restatement of the American Heritage in terms of present day crisis and to a stimulation of general thinking on the problem of how to defend our freedom by understanding its origin and its application to the great problems of today; and

WHEREAS, in this way and through constant devotion to the great task of helping citizens think through their problems, our librarians render inestimable service; and

WHEREAS, October 4, 1951, has been designated National Library Day to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the American Library Association and to give special opportunity for our citizens to pay tribute to libraries and librarians;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sigurd Anderson, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 4, 1951, as

LIBRARY DAY

in South Dakota, and call on all citizens and civic organizations to bring their attention and their expressions of appreciation to this occasion in their own communities throughout South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 27th day of September, 1951.

ATTEST:

GERALDINE OSTROOT
Secretary of State

SIGURD ANDERSON
Governor

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